

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER REGARDING
ELECTIONS, UNIT: VC-2914
(herein "Subject Drilling Unit")

DOCKET NUMBER VGOB-93/04/20-0367

REPORT OF BOARD

FINDINGS AND ORDER

1. This Supplemental Order is entered by the Board sua sponte in the form authorized by the Board at its hearing held at 9:00 a.m. on October 20, 1992, Board of Supervisors Room, Courthouse, Grundy, Virginia, and pursuant to authority granted to the Board's Chairman at the hearing of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board on June 16, 1992 at 9:00 a.m. at the Rhododendron Restaurant at the Breaks Interstate Park, Breaks, Virginia; and this Supplemental Order is being recorded for the purpose of (1) complying with the requirements of § 7.c of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board Regulations, VR 480-05-22.2 by supplementing the Order previously issued by the Board for the subject Docket on June 16, 1993 and recorded at Deed Book 410, Page 255 in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Buchanan County, Virginia on June 18, 1993 (herein "Board Order") to complete the record regarding elections. The Board Order pooled all interests in Subject Drilling Unit including those of the Respondents more particularly set forth and identified by the Designated Operator in the affidavits attached hereto and made a part hereof. The Board finds it has jurisdiction over the subject matter pursuant to the provisions of the Virginia Gas and Oil Act, § 45.1-361.1 et seq., Virginia Code, 1950 as amended.

2. Findings: The Board finds that:

(a) The Board Order directed Equitable Resources Exploration, (herein the "Designated Operator"), to mail copies of the Board Order to all Respondents whose interests, if any, were pooled by said Board Order;

(b) The Designated Operator filed its affidavit of mailings dated March 19, 1993 disclosing that it had mailed a true and correct copy of the Board's Order to all Respondents whose interests, if any, were pooled by said Board Order;

(c) The Board Order required each Respondent whose interests, if any, were pooled by the terms of said Board Order to make his or her election within thirty (30) days after the date of mailing or recording, as applicable, of said Order; the Designated Operator has filed its affidavit dated August 23, 1993 in accordance with 7.c of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board Regulations and VR 480-05-22.2 (herein "Affidavit of Election"), wherein it has, for each Respondent whose interests, if any, were pooled by said Board Order, stated: (i) whether each Respondent has made or failed to make a timely election; (ii) the nature of the election made, if any; (iii)

whether, by reason of a failure to elect or to timely elect one or more Respondents are deemed, under the terms of the Board's Order, to have leased all their rights, title, interests, estates and claims in Subject Drilling Unit to the Designated Operator;

(d) The Board Order further required the Designated Operator, after expiration of the election period, to file with the Board a statement of the interests subject to escrow under the terms and provisions of the Board Order, in light of the elections made or deemed to have been made (herein "Statement of Interests"); that the Designated Operator furnished said Statement of Interest dated August 23, 1993. A copy of which is attached.

(e) Current Board standards requiring the escrow of funds and the Board's agreement with its Escrow Agent, Tazewell National Bank, P. O. Box 909, Tazewell, Virginia 24651, or any successor named by the Board, require the entry of a Supplemental Order establishing of record the elections made or deemed to have been made and specifying the sums or percentage thereof subject to escrow.

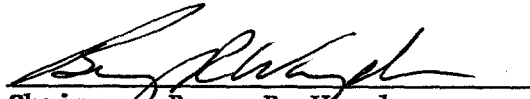
3. Order: By this Order, the Board orders the Designated Operator to tender, consistent with and in accordance with the findings set forth at paragraph 2. above and the annexed Affidavits, any funds subject to escrow and instructs the Escrow Agent, Tazewell National Bank, P. O. Box 909, Tazewell, Virginia 24651, or any successor named by the Board to establish interest-bearing escrow account(s), IRS Tax Identification Number 54-1629506, in accordance with the information set forth in said Affidavits to receive such funds and account to the Board therefore.

4. Mailing of Order and Filing of Affidavit: The Designated Operator under the captioned order or its Attorney shall file an affidavit with the Secretary of the Board within ten (10) days after the date of receipt of this Order stating that a true and correct copy of this Order was mailed within seven (7) days from the date of receipt of this Order to each person whose interest or claim is subject to escrow and whose address is known.

5. Conclusion: Therefore, the findings and all terms and provisions set forth above be and hereby are granted and IT IS SO ORDERED.

6. Effective Date: This Order shall be effective on the date of its execution.

DONE AND EXECUTED this 22nd day of October 1993, by a majority of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board.


Chairman, Benny R. Wampler

STATE OF VIRGINIA)
COUNTY OF WISE)

Acknowledged on this 22nd day of October, 1993, personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Benny Wampler, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that he executed the same and was authorized to do so.

Susan G. Garrett
Susan G. Garrett
Notary Public

My commission expires 7/31/94

DONE AND PERFORMED this 22nd day of October 1993 by Order of this Board.

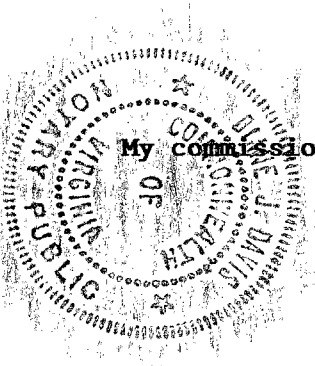
Byron Thomas Fulmer
Byron Thomas Fulmer
Principal Executive to the Staff
Virginia Gas and Oil Board

STATE OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON

Acknowledged on this 22nd day of October, 1993, personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Byron Thomas Fulmer, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Principal Executive to the staff of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that he executed the same and was authorized to do so.

Diane J. Davis
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Notary Public

My commission expires 9/30/97



V I R G I N I A:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

IN RE:

Application of Equitable Resources Exploration for Forced Pooling of Interests in Unit Number VC-2914, VGOB Docket No. VGOB-93-0420-0367 in the Prater Magisterial District of Buchanan County, Virginia

AFFIDAVIT OF HUNTER, SMITH & DAVIS, Attorneys-at-Law, Agents for the Designated Operator REGARDING ELECTIONS, ESCROW ACCOUNTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

James E. Kaiser (herein Affiant), being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

1. That the Affiant is an attorney in the law firm of Hunter, Smith & Davis, the Agent for the Designated Operator, with offices located at 1212 North Eastman Road, Kingsport, Tennessee 37664, and is authorized to give this Affidavit in its behalf;
2. That the Order entered on June 16, 1993, by the Virginia Gas and Oil Board regarding the captioned coalbed methane Unit required the Applicant to mail a true and correct copy of said Order to each person pooled by said Order;
3. That within seven (7) days of the receipt of an executed copy of the Order referred to at Paragraph 2. above, the Affiant was directed to cause a true and correct copy of said Order to be mailed via the United States Postal Service to each Respondent named in the captioned Application, whose address was known, and to all persons, if any, who were added as Respondents at the hearing held in captioned matter;
4. That the Order of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board in the captioned matter required all persons pooled thereby to tender their written elections to the Unit Operator within thirty (30) days of the date said Order was recorded in the county above named; that said Order was recorded on June 18, 1993;
5. That the Designated Operator, by and through their agent, HUNTER, SMITH & DAVIS, Attorneys-at-Law, have established procedures to review all mail received and all written documents received by means other than by mail to ascertain whether parties whose interest have been pooled have made a written election, in a timely fashion, as required by the captioned Order; that said procedures were followed to identify the elections, if any, made with regard to Subject Unit; that the following persons

delivered, by mail or otherwise, written elections to the Unit Operator, within the thirty day election period:

None.

6. That the interest and/or claims of the following persons (who made timely elections, or who are deemed under the terms of the Board's Order to have leased, or who, subsequent to the pooling hearing held in the captioned matter, have leased or otherwise entered into an agreement with the Designated Operator) are subject to escrow under the Board's Order pooling the captioned Unit, Board Regulations and the Code of Virginia; that opposite the name of each person named as a Respondent listed below is set forth:

- 1) Yellow Poplar Lumber Company
deemed to have leased (unknown and conflicting claimant)
\$293.01 bonus cash consideration (\$5.00 per net mineral acre)
.1246375 royalty interest (12.5% X 100% X 99.71%)
- 2) Willard Newberry, et ux.
deemed to have leased (conflicting claimants)
.69¢ bonus cash consideration (\$5.00 per net mineral acre)
.0003 royalty interest (12.5% X 100% X .24%)
- 3) Furl Newberry, et ux.
deemed to have leased (conflicting claimants)
.15¢ bonus cash consideration (\$5.00 per net mineral acre)
.0000625 royalty interest (12.5% X 100% X .05%)
- 4) Clinchfield Coal Company
deemed to have leased (conflicting claimants)
\$293.05 bonus cash consideration (\$5.00 per net mineral acre)
.125 royalty interest (12.5% X 100% X 8/8)

OR

7. That after the pooling hearing held in the captioned matter, the following persons have leased or entered into a voluntary agreement with the Designated Operator with regard to their interest and/or claims which are not subject to escrow:

None.

8. That the following persons have not made a timely election and have failed to enter into an agreement with the Designated Operator and their respective interests

shall be deemed to have leased pursuant to and in accordance with paragraphs 3 and 2(c) of the Order.

None.

9. That pursuant to the provision of VR 480-05-22.27.C and VR 480-05-22.2.8, annexed hereto and incorporated herein is a proposed supplemental order to be entered to complete the record regarding elections; that said annexed supplemental order sets forth and identifies the conflicting claims and/or interest which require escrow of funds pursuant to the terms of §§ 45.1-361.21.D, 45.1-361.22.A.3 and 4.

Dated at Kingsport, Tennessee, this 23rd day of August, 1993.

James E. Kaiser
Affiant

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me by James E. Kaiser, the Agent of Equitable Resources Exploration, a corporation, on behalf of the corporation, this 23rd day of August, 1993.

My commission expires: 1-25-94

Susan C. Elliott
Notary

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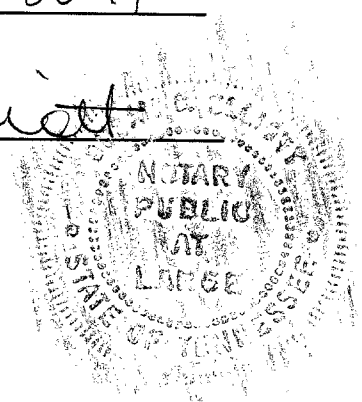


EXHIBIT "B"
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<u>LESSOR</u>	<u>LEASE STATUS</u>	<u>INTEREST WITHIN UNIT</u>	<u>GROSS ACREAGE IN UNIT</u>	<u>NET REVENUE INTERESTS</u>
<u>TRACT 1</u>				
*Yellow Poplar Lumber Company Unknown	Unleased	99.71%	58.602	.1246375
Equitable Resources Exploration				.8724625
Tract 1 Totals		99.71%	58.602	99.71%
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<u>TRACT 2</u>				
*Willard Newberry and Audrey Newberry, H/W Route 1, Box 482 Vanzant, VA 24656	Leased-EREX Lse #243343L01	.24%	.138	.0003
Equitable Resources Exploration				.0021
Tract 2 Totals		.24%	.138	.24%
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<u>TRACT 3</u>				
*Furl NewBerry and Lydia Victoria Newberry, H/W P. O. Box 23028 Phoenix, AZ 85063	Leased-EREX Lse #243344L01	.05%	.030	.0000625
Equitable Resources Exploration				.0004375
Tract 3 Totals		.05%	.030	.05%
TOTAL		100.00%	58.770	100.00%

OR

EXHIBIT "B"

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<u>LESSOR</u>	<u>LEASE STATUS</u>	<u>INTEREST WITHIN UNIT</u>	<u>GROSS ACREAGE IN UNIT</u>	<u>NET REVENUE INTERESTS</u>
<u>COAL ESTATE</u>				
<u>TRACT 1, 2, & 3</u>				
*Clinchfield Coal Co. Paul Guild, Chief Engr. P. O. Box 7 Dante, VA 24237 Pyxis Resources Co. Larry Cline, Property Mgr. P. O. Box 5100 Lebanon, VA 24266	Leased-EREX PO-1042 Lse #241640L01 T2-42	100.00%	58.770	.125
Equitable Resources Exploration				.875
TOTAL		100.00%	58.770	100%

* INDICATES CONFLICTING CLAIMANTS AS TO THE COALBED METHANE.

VIRGINIA. In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Buchanan County. The foregoing instrument was this day presented in the office aforesaid and is, together with the certificate of acknowledgment annexed, admitted to record this 29th day of October, 19 93 11:43 M.
Deed Book No. 415 and Page No. 321

TESTE: JAMES M. BEVINS, JR. ClerkBy: Patricia L. Amel, Deputy Clerk

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CLERK'S OFFICE CIRCUIT COURT
BUCHANAN COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Filed and admitted to record,
this 27th day of October, 1993

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

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039 State Tax _____

213 County Tax _____

212 Transfer 17.00

301 Recording _____

038 State Tax _____

220 Local Tax 1.00

145 VSLF 18.00

Total 36.00

Teste James M. Bevins, Jr., Clerk JMB D.C.

By _____

Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy
Division of Gas and Oil
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P. O. Box 1416
Arlington, VA 22216